

**Emulation Components and System Including Distributed Routing and
Configuration of Emulation Resources**

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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Data processing resources are distributively provided to an emulation system to locally and correspondingly generate configuration signals to configure selected ones of reconfigurable logic and interconnect resources of corresponding collections of reconfigurable logic and interconnect resources, to emulate corresponding

10 partitions of an IC design. In one embodiment, the distributed data processing resources further locally and correspondingly determine interconnect routing within the selected ones of the reconfigurable logic resources of the corresponding collections of reconfigurable logic resources. In one embodiment, the distributed data processing resources are disposed on logic boards having emulation ICs that include the reconfigurable logic and interconnect resources. In other embodiments, at least some of the distributed data processing resources are disposed on the emulation ICs. The board and IC disposed distributed data processing resources cooperatively perform the earlier mentioned distributed and corresponding generation of configuration signals and interconnect routing determination.

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